GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3195
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ELECTIONS IN CENTRAL COUNCIL OF HOMOEOPATHY
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether conducting elections in the States/Union Territories for Central Council of Homoeopathy is the responsibility of the Union Government ;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) when these elections were last held in all States/Union Territories;

(d) whether these elections were held within the specified time period;

(e) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(f) the action taken against the concerned officers in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

(a) to (b) The Central Council of Homoeopathy (CCH) is constituted in accordance with the provisions under Section 3 (I) of the Homoeopathic Central Council Act. According to the procedure laid down in the Homoeopathic Central Council (Election Rules) 1975, the elections are conducted in respect of the registered Homeopathic practitioners by the Returning Officer appointed by the Central Govt. on the recommendations of the State Govt. concerned and Registrar of the Faculty of Homeopathy of the University concerned.

(c) to (e):The last election of the CCH were held in 1997-98 in all the States except Maharashtra and Bihar. As per provisions under Section 7(1) of HCC Act, 1973 the President, Vice President or members of the Central Councils hold office for a term of five years from the date of the election or nomination, as the case may be, or until their successors are duly elected or nominated, whichever is longer.

The State Governments have requested to get the CCH election conducted expeditiously.